## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 191**

## By Sontany

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Glencliff Elementary School's administration, staff, teachers, and students on the occasion of the school's 30th anniversary.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should recognize those exemplary educational institutions that have made significant contributions, through an abiding commitment to excellence, to their respective communities and to this State; and

WHEREAS, Glencliff Elementary School is most assuredly one such noteworthy institution; over the past thirty years Glencliff has been known for its innovative educational programs and for its overall dedication to academic excellence; and

WHEREAS, Glencliff opened its doors for the first time on August 29, 1955, with eight classrooms and eight teachers to service the 343 students who reported on opening day; the school offered grades first through sixth; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Charles R. Thompson served for twelve years as the school's first principal; and

WHEREAS, shortly after opening, the school population grew so rapidly that by March of 1957, four new classrooms had been added to accommodate 424 children; and

WHEREAS, eventually, sixteen more classrooms would be added to accommodate the increasing growth and Glencliff Elementary would change to serve grades kindergarten through fourth; and

WHEREAS, Glencliff Elementary moved to its current location on Antioch Pike for the 1976 to 1977 school year, and adopted the school colors of red, white, and blue in honor of the country's Bicentennial being celebrated that year; and

WHEREAS, classified as an ESEA school, Glencliff staff continued their noble commitment to providing an outstanding education for all of their students; the school staff at

that time boasted two reading support teachers who tutored struggling students, and the school had implemented the federally funded program, Project Follow Through, which helped to bridge a student's home life with their school day; and

WHEREAS, through the steadfast support of its faculty, community, and parents, and under the astute leadership of current Principal Jeanette Smith, Glencliff Elementary continues to be a bastion of excellence in academics and in life, molding young minds into the scholars and leaders of tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, the members of this body find it appropriate to pause to recognize and celebrate the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Glencliff Elementary School; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Glencliff Elementary School's administration, staff, teachers, and students on the occasion of the school's 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary at its present location, commend their dedication to excellence in education, and wish them all the best in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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